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OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT  
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.  
Docket No. 50-220  
Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 1

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$40,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) will be issued on or about October 6, 1983 to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation. This action is based upon the licensee's failure to place a main steam line high radiation trip system in a tripped condition as required by a technical specification limiting condition for operation once sufficient information existed to indicate that both channels in that system were inoperable.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The Regional Administrator has been authorized by the Director of the Office of Inspection and Enforcement to sign this action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice	October 6, 1983
Telephone Notification of Licensee	October 6, 1983

A news release has been prepared and will be issued about the time the licensee receives the Notice. The State of New York will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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